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August 29, 2000

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program
Division of Oil, Gas, Mining
1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Re: Clarification and Response to the total acreage to be disturbed through the next 5 years and through end of mine life associated with the Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations, McFarland & Hullinger Company, SiO2 # 1-6 Mine, M/045/046, Tooele County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hedberg,

McFarland & Hullinger, L.C. has completed the assessment of total acreage associated with the five year plan as well as end of mine life for the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (the "Division") for our Notice of Intention to Commence the Large Mining Operations for SiO2 #1-6 mine, located in Tooele County, Utah. We respectfully request the Division resume its review and grant tentative approval of our Large Mining Notice.

We met with Doug Jensen and Tom Munson on August 23 to discuss the mine plan and total number of disturbed acres for both 5 years and end of mine life. The Large mine permit will allow us to open up the side walls and lay them back on a 30 degree angle until we hit daylight. We anticipate that this will provide an additional 3 to 4 years of material before we have to dig further back into the face of the mountain. It will also provide for a much safer and compliant operation. The total disturbed area will not exceed 20 acres for the first 5 years and will remain under 40 acres through end of mine life.

We appreciate your attention in this matter and look forward to finalizing this permitting action.

Sincerely,

Sidney K. Hullinger
Senior Vice President

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cc: Cheryl Martinez, BLM (U-72294)

